

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2090 - SB 2316

February 11, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL: Expands the definition of eligible postsecondary institution to include William R. Moore College of Technology (WMCT) for receipt of the Tennessee Reconnect grant (Reconnect) and Wilder-Naifeh technical grant (Wilder).

FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures - \$663,800/FY22-23 and Subsequent Years/
Lottery for Education Account**

Other Fiscal Impact – Recurring funding in the amount of \$663,800 beginning in FY22-23 will not be available for transfer from the Lottery for Education Account to the Tennessee Promise Scholarship Special Reserve Account.

Assumptions:

- Award amounts for the Reconnect grant vary based on the amount of tuition and mandatory fees after the Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarship, Tennessee Student Assistance Award, and PELL grant have first been applied.
- Based on information provided by the Tennessee Student Assistance Corporation (TSAC) an estimated 100 students will receive the Reconnect grant and an estimated 333 students will receive the Wilder-Naifeh award in FY22-23.
- The average Reconnect grant amount is \$2,495 per student.
- The total Reconnect grant is estimated to be \$249,500 (100 students x \$2,495 grant).
- The average Wilder award amount is \$1,244 per student.
- The total Wilder award amount is estimated to be \$414,252 (333 students x \$1,244 award).
- The recurring increase in state expenditures to the Lottery for Education Account is estimated to be \$663,752 (\$249,500 Reconnect + \$414,252 Wilder) in FY22-23 and subsequent years for WMCT students.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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